

THE EVENING STAR.

The Tragedy in a Court-Room.

The Philadelphia Age gives the following particulars of the shooting of George Eller by Thomas E. Morris, Criminal Court Room in that city on Wednesday last, one of which we published a brief telegraphic account:

About five minutes after ten o'clock yesterday morning one of the most daring murders in the annals of crime was committed in the Criminal Court-Room. The regular business of the day was about to open when every one in the court-room was startled by the sharp report of a pistol, followed by loud cries of a man. Owing to the position of the prisoners' dock, those inside the court-room were unable to comprehend for some time all that was going on. The dock door is directly opposite the judges' bench, and is about three feet from the door used only for taking prisoners to and from the city van. The back part of the dock is about seven feet high, and it forms a passage-way for prisoners in the custody of the court. George Eller was in this passage in charge of a usherriff on his way to the dock. Thomas E. Morris occupied a seat at the end of a settee on a line with the passage-way. As Eller came along the passage, Morris was about to go into the dock, when he saw the revolver from under his coat and fired upon Eller. The ball took effect in the breast directly above the left nipple. Eller cried "Oh! Oh!" and fell into the arms of officer Krozer and died almost immediately, face which but a few moments before had been flushed with heat and vigor, turned suddenly as white as marble. There was no external bleeding. The blood was forced to the heart. The body of the murdered man was taken to the office of the chief of the Quarter-Sheriff. The excitement of the scene induced the usherriff to make no attempt to escape. He was seized by officer George W. Taylor of the court. Officer Silverthorne took from him the revolver with which the fatal act had been committed. It was a six-barrel revolver. Five loads still remained in the barrel when taken before Judge Lindlow, who was on the bench at the time. He acted as committee magistrate.

Eller desired to make a statement, but the judge refused to listen to any. Several witnesses of the commission of the deed were examined, including them several police officers. John Gately, Esq., identified the body of the wounded man.

After hearing the evidence, Judge Lindlow committed the accused to answer the charge of murder. He was removed to the Moyamensing prison. He made no defense, but said that he had committed the act to avenge the wrongs of his daughter, and that he was ready for the consequences. All the time, as may be imagined, every one in the court room held their breath with excitement. Several females were seen to weep in view of the cases to be tried. Finally, the prisoners in the dock were forgotten for no instant, but none of them escaped.

MEDICAL QUALITIES OF PTEROPURAN.—At a recent discussion in the New York Farmers' Club, a vice-president writes of the virtues of the pteropurans: "I will give you a sample, yet very valuable cure, for inflammatory rheumatism. A woman's arm was swelled to an enormous size, and painfully inflamed. A poultice was made of the pteropurans, which was renewed every fifteen minutes, and a short time produced a perfect cure. The fever drawn out by the poultices made them extremely offensive as they were taken off. I never saw a case of severe inflammation of the bowels so easily cured by application. I think such articles as this proper for discussion in a farmer's club."

TWO BARBERS IN THE FIELD.—The Democrats of the fourth congressional district of Connecticut have nominated Wm H. Barnum, of Salisbury, as their candidate for Congress. So there are now two Barbers in the field. Barnum of Salisbury, and Barnum, of Bridgeport, who is the son of Barnum the showman. The Democratic Barber is a man of large wealth, and solid reputation, allied with the business interests of the district, and possessing the respect and confidence of every community. It is said that he is very desirous of electing his namesake, and will prosecute the canvass with vigor.—New York Herald.

SALE OF MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA FARMS.—A letter from Anacostia country, Va., says: Speculators are busy buying land and market sales have been made to Pennsylvania and Maryland, county, Md. They purchase Thomas Bell's farm of 500 acres for \$10,000; A. N. Green's, 120 acres, for \$8,000; and B. and J. Young's, 200 acres, for \$5,000. A Lancaster county gentleman bought a farm, and will receive \$10,000. April and May will be active in sales. A great many farms will be offered.

WEAVERS' STRIKE.—A meeting of the weavers of New York was held on Monday evening for the purpose of taking into consideration the strike of the weavers of the city, and returning the fire injured one of the persons present. After the meeting had been adjourned, but the strike was reduced, they adopted a resolution that all the weavers of the city should cease work until they received an addition of two cents per yard.

A man named Massey was attacked by a gang of ex-Confederates under the leadership of Sheriff named Davis, at Waynesville, North Carolina, a short time since. He was fired upon forty times without being injured, and returning the fire injured one of the persons present. He succeeded in making his escape, but the Sheriff has still not called out the county to assist in finding him. Massey was engaged during the war in passing recruits through the lines to the Union army, and stands indicted for that offence. This was the cause of the attack.

A NEW LESSON.—The Louisiana Baptist gives some good advice to its readers. It says, "The Southern people have never learned economy. They have been too fond of pleasure, however, when this virtue must not only be practised, but practised, or they can never rise from their present condition of pecuniary prostration. The present generation will not, perhaps, so practice economy as to be materially bettered, but will practise much ourselves, and should by all means insulate our sons."

WITHOUT HOTELS.—The authorities of the town of St. Albans, Vermont, recently made a raid upon all the liquor to be found in the village, and arrested the vendors, including the hotel-keepers. As an offset, the landlord has pulled down their signs. That boyishly important town is, therefore, at present without any public accommodation for man or beast.

LOUISIANA.—THE CONCORDIA (Louisiana) INTELLIGENCER of the 9th says: "From the manner in which our people are working, they seem to have lost all sense of self-respect. The negroes back in the swamp, a barefooted race, clinging to their backs cheerfully, and their employers have no cause of complaint."

MR. JOSEPH ARMSTRONG, a citizen of W. Va., says: "I am greatly gratified by the enjoyment of his usual good health. On Saturday morning last, after eating his breakfast, sat down by the fire. Billed his pipe and commenced smoking. Presently he fell very suddenly from his chair, and was picked up dead."

AN EXCHANGE says: "Encaged cabbage produces a rich perfume" which is sold for \$1.00 bottle.

Mrs. LARIVIERE, living in New York, has got overuse of chloroform on her hands, and from its effects. She was in ill health, and was also melancholy and low-spirited in consequence of the recent death of her mother and brother.

Belle Boyd Harding is about to play in Boston. Bell is no longer Bay'd—now she is married.

A heavy money transaction took place in Boston, the other day. One man paid another one hundred, and ten thousand pennies.

At a recent fire in Cincinnati a Jewess, named Mrs. Mikell, was smothered in attempting to save her goods.

A Van Buren (Ark.) paper says business is so dull that the young men in the vicinity for want of proper employment, have gone to getting married.

Maple sugar making has already commenced in Vermont, and will become general throughout New England in a couple of weeks.

A manufacturer in New York city is filling an order for two thousand thimbles a eighteen cents per dozen, for the manager of a popular silk enterprise. "No blanks." Every ticket entitles the holder to a present!

The long talked of bridge over Broadway in New York, has at last assumed tangible shape. On Friday the first column of the bridge was erected at the northeast corner of Broadway and Fulton street.

They have the Indians very badly on the Santa Fe line.

AUCTION SALES.

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TRUSTEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a deed of trust bearing date on the fifth day of Jan'y. 1863, executed by John Collier, to the effect that he should be liable, and responsible for the payment of \$10,000, the land records for Washington county, the District of Columbia, I will offer for sale on THURSDAY, Feb'y. 21, 1867, at 10 o'clock A.M., for the sum of \$10,000, the land described in the Deed of Trust, dated Jan'y. 12, in Square No. 667, in the city of Washington, D. C., fronting 19 feet and 2 inches on east & west, and 20 feet deep on north & south, running at that width to the rear, together with the improvements, consisting of a small dwelling house and other buildings.

Terms—One-half of the balance in 5 months; the purchaser to receive a deed and give his note, secured by a deed of trust. All conveyancing and expenses to be paid by the purchaser. A deposit of \$100 required of the purchaser if the terms of sale are not complied with within 10 days.

JOHN E. MORRIS, Trustee.

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